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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

WRITTEN ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS
UNDER 37 CFR §1.27(a)(2)
SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

The undersigned hereby asserts entitlement to small entity status as a small business concern under 37 CFR §1.27(a)(2) on behalf of Ariad Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

This assertion is made on the ground that Ariad Pharmaceuticals, Inc is a small business concern

(a) whose number of employees, including affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons; and

(b) that *has not* assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed, and is under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license, any rights in the above-referenced patent application to any party who does not qualify for small entity status either as a person, a small business concern, or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR §1.27,

as set forth in 37 CFR §1.27.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "David L. Bernstein".

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Date: January 23, 2001